

# **Acquisition of Floodprone Structures**

## **Full Mitigation Best Practice Story**

## Tulsa County, Oklahoma

**Tulsa, OK** - Floods have devastated the City of Tulsa many times, an average of about once every 5 years. Through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program, the City has taken measures to mitigate against these costly floods. The City has also taken measures to increase public awareness and support of flood mitigation via the production of videos and publications.



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The City also received a public awareness grant to educate and improve flood awareness throughout the City and county. Through the FMA program, the community received a planning grant to produce a Flood Mitigation Plan aimed at further reducing repetitive loss within the City of Tulsa.

### **Activity/Project Location**

Geographical Area: Single County in a State

FEMA Region: Region VI

State: Oklahoma

County: Tulsa County

City/Community: Tulsa

#### **Key Activity/Project Information**

Sector: Public

Hazard Type: Flooding

Acquisition/Buyouts; Land Use/Planning; Education/Outreach/Public

Activity/Project Type: Awareness

Activity/Project Start Date: 11/1997

Activity/Project End Date: 12/1998

Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA); Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Funding Source: (HMGP); Local Sources

Funding Recipient: Local Government

Funding Recipient Name: City of Tulsa

## **Activity/Project Economic Analysis**

Cost: \$467,429.00 (Actual)

## **Activity/Project Disaster Information**

Mitigation Resulted From Federal

Disaster? Unknown

Value Tested By Disaster? No

Repetitive Loss Property? Unknown

#### Reference URLs

Reference URL 1: http://www.floodsmart.gov/

Reference URL 2: http://www.ok.gov/oem/

### **Main Points**

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